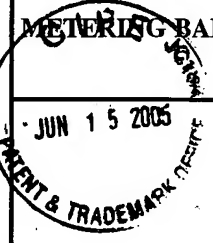
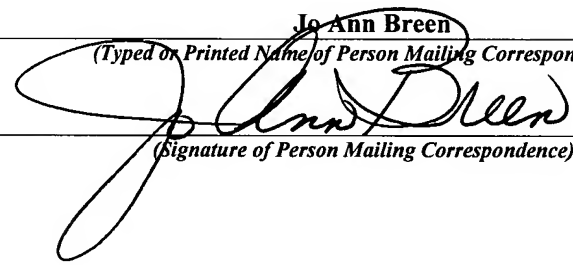
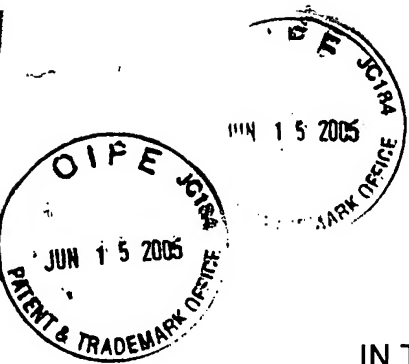


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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated May 11, 2005, Applicant respectfully responds as follows:

REMARKS

The Examiner has required a restriction to one of the following inventions:

- I. Claims 1-20, drawn to a ball valve apparatus, classified in class 351, subclass 209;
- II. Claims 21-23, drawn to a method for metering a throttle valve, classified in class 137, subclass 2.